

2021 Bills – 32nd Alaska State Legislature
Summary of K-12 Education Related Legislation:

| Bill Number | Short Title | Prime Sponsor | Summary Title | Status | Impact to DEED/School Districts <i>*based on an initial review by DEED</i> |
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| HB 9 | INCOME TAX; PFD PAYMENT/CREDIT | HANNAN | An Act relating to the taxation of income of individuals, partners, shareholders in S corporations, trusts, and estates; relating to a payment against the individual income tax from the permanent fund dividend disbursement; repealing tax credits applied against the tax on individuals under the Alaska Net Income Tax Act; and providing for an effective date. | (H) STA Then L&C, FIN 02/18/2021 | This bill is primarily dealing with tax laws and only has two references to public education. The first reference is in the short title, under section 1, stating, “This Act may be known as the Education Funding Act.” And the other reference is on page 22, section 4, (e) stating the legislature may appropriate funds under this subsection into the public education fund; however, nothing in this subsection creates a dedicated fund. |
| HB 15 | TEMP PERMITS & LICENSES; MILITARY LICENSE | THOMPSON | An Act relating to occupational licensing; relating to temporary licenses and permits; relating to certification of teachers; and providing for an effective date. | (H) L&C Then EDC 02/18/2021 | Requires DEED to issue a preliminary teacher’s certificate to an activity duty member or a spouse who meets the requirements under AS 14.20.015. |
| HB 18 | TEACHERS: NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFICATION | KREISS-TOMKINS | An Act relating to national board certification for public school teachers. | (H) EDC 03/10/2021 | Requires public schools to display the name of each teacher at that school who has achieved national board certification and sets a goal of the Legislature that by the year 2025 at least four percent of public school teachers in the state will have achieved national board certification. |
| HB 19 | LIMITED TEACHER CERTIFICATES; LANGUAGES | KREISS-TOMKINS | An Act relating to instruction in a language other than English; and | (H) EDC Then L&C 05/17/2021 | Allows DEED to issue limited language immersion teacher certificates, valid only in the area of expertise for which |

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| | | | establishing limited language immersion teacher certificates. | | it is issued, to teach students enrolled in a language immersion program. |
| HB 24 | SCHOOL EMPLOYEE BREAKS: NURSING MOTHERS | HOPKINS | An Act requiring certain school districts to give teachers who are nursing mothers reasonable breaks and a location to express breast milk. | (H) EDC Then L&C 02/18/2021 | Requires school districts to give nursing mothers reasonable break times and a location to express milk for one year after giving birth. |
| HB 25 | PUBLIC SCHOOLS: SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL LEARNING | HOPKINS | An Act relating to the duties of the state Board of Education and Early Development; relating to statewide standards for instruction in social-emotional learning; and providing for an effective date. | (H) STA 04/14/2021 | Requires DEED to adopt statewide standards for instruction in social-emotional learning. |
| HB 43 | EXTEND SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICE AGENCY | STORY | An Act extending the termination date of the special education service agency; and providing for an effective date. | (H) FIN 03/26/2021 | Extends the sunset date of the Special Education Service Agency to June 30, 2029. Companion bill to SB 19. |
| HB 48 | AK PERFORMANCE SCHOLARSHIP; ELIGIBILITY | STORY | An Act relating to eligibility for the Alaska performance scholarship program. | (H) EDC Then FIN 02/18/2021 | Allows APS scholarships to be awarded to applicants who have completed a core academic curriculum that includes career and technical education. |
| HB 49 | APPROP: EARLY LITERACY PROGRAMS | STORY | An Act making special appropriations from the general fund for early literacy programs in public schools; and providing for an effective date. | (H) EDC Then FIN 02/18/2021 | Appropriates \$20,225,000 from the general fund for early literacy programs, to be distributed to school districts based on adjusted average daily membership. The money would be distributed over two fiscal years: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$10 million in FY22 • \$10,225,000 in FY23 |

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| | | | | | Requires school districts to report how they used the money to DEED by January 15, 2022. DEED would then be required to report that information to the Legislature by January 31, 2022. |
| HB 53 | MILITARY CHILDREN SCHOOL RESIDENCY WAIVER | MCCARTY | An Act relating to residency requirements for public school enrollment for certain children of active duty military and National Guard members. | (S) EDC 05/14/2021 | Requires school districts to consider students to be a resident of the district and admit the student to a public school in the district if a parent or guardian of the student is serving as an active duty member of the armed forces or a member of the National Guard and is transferred or pending transfer to a military installation in the state. |
| HB 57 | FUNDS SUBJECT TO CBR SWEEP PROVISION | JOSEPHSON | An Act relating to the budget reserve fund established under art. IX, sec. 17(d), Constitution of the State of Alaska; relating to money available for appropriation for purposes of applying art. IX, sec. 17, Constitution of the State of Alaska; and providing for an effective date. | (H) FIN 04/05/2021 | Defines 'sweepable' and 'general' funds. Clarifies that school improvement performance, curriculum improvement, school construction, major maintenance, public education, memorial education, dividend raffle, and school trust land sale funds are not subject to the sweep. |
| HB 60 | PUBLIC SCHOOLS: MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION | CLAMAN | An Act relating to mental health education. | (H) FIN 04/22/2021 | Directs DEED to develop statewide standards for mental health and encourages school districts to include mental health in their health education program. Companion bill to SB 80. |

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| HB 67 | APPROP: K-12 ACAD. RECOVERY FROM COVID-19 | STORY | An Act making a special appropriation from the general fund for K-12 public schools to support student recovery from academic losses as a result of COVID-19; and providing for an effective date. | (H) EDC Then FIN 02/18/2021 | Appropriates \$20,000,000 from the general fund for COVID-19 relief, to be distributed to school districts based on adjusted average daily membership by June 30, 2022. Requires school districts to report how they used the money to DEED and the Legislature by January 31, 2022. |
| HB 78 | FUNDING FOR CORRESPONDENCE PROGRAMS | GOVERNOR | An Act relating to funding for correspondence programs; and providing for an effective date. | (H) EDC Then FIN 02/18/2021 | Addresses funding for correspondence programs operated by school districts (both district and statewide programs) by 1) moving the correspondence student average daily membership (ADM) from the end of the Foundation Formula, when determining basic need, so correspondence students are eligible for the special education and career and technical education multipliers; and (2) changing the weight of a correspondence student ADM from 90 percent to the actual ADM, as submitted. Companion bill to SB 58. |
| HB 93 | G.O. BONDS: STATE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS | GOVERNOR | An Act providing for and relating to the issuance of general obligation bonds for the purpose of paying the cost of state infrastructure projects, including construction, communications, major maintenance, public safety, and transportation | (H) FIN 02/18/2021 | Relates to voter approval of general obligation bonds for the purpose of funding capital improvement projects. Includes \$9M for Houston Middle School Replacement, \$25M for Major Maintenance Grant Fund for School Major Maintenance, and \$7.8M for Mt. Edgecumbe High |

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| | | | projects; and providing for an effective date. | | School Repairs. Companion bill to SB 74. |
| HB 100 | EXTEND WORKFORCE INVEST BOARD ALLOCATIONS | WOOL | An Act relating to allocations of funding for the Alaska Workforce Investment Board; and providing for an effective date. | CHAPTER 4 SLA 21 06/09/2021 | Extends the length of time to disperse Technical and Vocational Education Program funds appropriated for distribution to various institutions for adult and higher education from June 30, 2021 to June 30, 2024. DEED distributes grant funding to the Galena City School District for the Galena Interior Learning Academy. |
| HB 108 | CONCURRENT SECONDARY & TRADE SCHOOL | MCCARTY | An Act relating to concurrent vocational education, training, and on-the-job trade experience programs for students enrolled in public secondary schools; relating to child labor; and providing for an effective date. | (H) EDC Then L&C, FIN 02/22/2021 | Amends AS 14.35 by adding new Concurrent Vocational Education, Training, and On-the-Job Trade Experience Programs to provide public secondary school students over 14 years of age the opportunity to participate in concurrent vocational education, training, and on-the-job trade experience. |
| HB 114 | EDUCATION & SUPPLEMENTAL LOAN PROGRAMS | GOVERNOR | An Act relating to the education loan program and Alaska supplemental education loan program; and providing for an effective date. | (H) EDC 02/24/2021 | Provides ACPE with a number of authorities that will allow ACPE to better meet Alaskans' student loan needs, and thus is expected to increase the origination of loans funded by the ASLC. Companion bill to SB 94. |
| HB 120 | STATE LAND SALES AND LEASES; RIVERS | GOVERNOR | An Act relating to state land; relating to the authority of the Department of Education and Early Development to dispose of | (H) RES Then FIN 03/01/2021 | Authorizes DEED to transfer real property to a broader group of entities. Currently, DEED is limited to transfer interests in land to federal |

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| | | | state land; relating to the authority of the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities to dispose of state land; relating to the authority of the Department of Natural Resources over certain state land; relating to the state land disposal income fund; relating to the leasing and sale of state land for commercial development; repealing establishment of recreation rivers and recreation river corridors; and providing for an effective date. | | agencies, state agencies, or to political subdivisions. Companion bill to SB 97. |
| HB 129 | ALASKA PERFORMANCE SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT | FIELDS | An Act relating to the maximum annual awards for Alaska performance scholarships. | (H) EDC Then FIN 03/08/2021 | Removes the set amounts for each level of the scholarship and changes the amount to a percentage of the average annual cost of resident tuition and fees at the University of Alaska: 100% for level one, 75% for level two, and 50% for level three. |
| HB 132 | SCHOOL APPRENTICESHIP PROGS; TAX CREDITS | H L&C | An Act relating to technical education and registered apprenticeships. | Transmitted to (S) 05/19/2021 | Directs DEED to partner with DOLWD to provide financial and technical support to districts creating or expanding school to apprenticeship programs and establishes a registered apprentice tax credit. |
| HB 147 | RURAL DEF. TEACHER EDUCATION LOAN PROGRAM | ZULKOSKY | An Act relating to the teacher education loan program; and providing for an effective date. | (H) EDC Then FIN 03/24/2021 | Amends the definition of a 'rural' community relating to the teacher education loan program. |

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| HB 161 | COUNCIL ON ARTS: PLATES & MANAGE ART | DRUMMOND | An Act relating to special request registration plates celebrating the arts; relating to artwork in public buildings and facilities; relating to the management of artwork under the art in public places fund; relating to the powers and duties of the Alaska State Council on the Arts; and providing for an effective date. | (H) STA Then FIN 04/05/2021 | Allows the Division of Motor Vehicles to collect a registration fee not to exceed \$50 for a vehicle registration plate celebrating the arts. Establishes the attorney general as the legal counsel for ASCA, while allowing ASCA to retain temporary legal counsel for good cause with the approval of the attorney general. Exempts funds in the ASCA operating budget that are received from private philanthropic and non-profit organizations from the Executive Budget Act. Provides ASCA the opportunity to hold a license plate design competition celebrating the arts every four years. Companion bill to SB 71. |
| HB 164 | EARLY ED PROGRAMS; READING; VIRTUAL ED | TUCK | An Act relating to early education programs provided by school districts; relating to school age eligibility; relating to early education programs; establishing a parents as teachers program; relating to the duties of the Department of Education and Early Development; relating to certification of teachers; establishing a reading intervention program for public school students enrolled in grades kindergarten through | (H) EDC Then FIN 04/07/2021 | This year's iteration of the Alaska Reads Act (SB 6 in 2020). This bill creates three new programs: an early education program, a comprehensive reading intervention program, and a school improvement reading program. Companion bill to SB 6. |

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| | | | three; establishing a reading program in the Department of Education and Early Development; relating to a virtual education consortium; and providing for an effective date. | | |
| HB 169 | APPROP: EDUCATION; PUPIL TRANSPORTATION | (H) FIN | An Act making appropriations for public education and transportation of students; and providing for an effective date. | (S) FIN 04/23/2021 | Appropriations bill specifically to fund public education and pupil transportation. |
| HB 173 | SCHOOL CLIMATE & CONNECTEDNESS | TARR | An Act relating to state education policy; relating to school climate and connectedness; establishing the School Climate and School Connectedness Improvement Committee; and providing for an effective date. | (H) EDC Then FIN 04/14/2021 | Establishes an advisory committee in DEED and directs each school district to develop a school climate and school connectedness plan. |
| HB 186 | PROHIBITING PROOF OF COVID-19 VACCINATION | RAUSCHER | An Act prohibiting the state or a municipality, public library, postsecondary educational institution, school district, health care provider, or health care facility from requiring proof of vaccination against COVID-19. | (H) CRA Then STA 04/21/2021 | Prohibits state or public institutions from requiring proof of COVID-19 vaccination to access an area or service that is open to the public. |
| HB 191 | SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGETS; TENURED NONRET | GILLHAM | An Act relating to borough school district budgets; relating to the time required for school districts to notify tenured teachers of layoff or nonretention; and providing for an effective date. | (H) EDC Then FIN 04/28/2021 | Directs local school boards to develop their budgets by May 1 for the following year based on the current appropriation, if the Legislature has not yet appropriated an amount. |

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| HB 4003 | PERMANENT FUND DIVIDEND; 25/75 POMV SPLIT | H W&M | An Act relating to use of income of the Alaska permanent fund; relating to the amount of the permanent fund dividend; relating to the duties of the commissioner of revenue; and providing for an effective date. | (H) W&M Then FIN 10/28/2021 | The committee substitute allows the foundation formula to be funded through a % of the POMV draw. Of the 5% draw, 75% is available for essential government services, of which 50% may be used to the public education fund for foundation formula and pupil transportation funding. If funding is not sufficient, additional foundation funding may be provided by the general fund. If funding is in excess, the excess may be distributed according to the foundation formula. |
| SB 8 | PRE-K/ELEM ED PROGRAMS/FUNDING; READING | BEGICH | An Act relating to early education programs provided by school districts; relating to school age eligibility; relating to funding for early education programs; establishing early education programs and a voluntary parent program; relating to the duties of the Department of Education and Early Development; relating to certification of teachers; establishing a reading intervention program for public school students enrolled in grades kindergarten through three; establishing a reading program in the Department of Education and Early | (S) EDC Then FIN 01/22/2021 | This year's iteration of the Alaska Reads Act (SB 6 in 2020). This bill creates three new programs: an early education program, a comprehensive reading intervention program, and a school improvement reading program. Companion bill to HB 164. |

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| | | | Development; establishing a teacher retention working group; and providing for an effective date. | | |
| SB 10 | FREE/REDUCED TUITION FOR ESSENTIAL WORKER | BEGICH | An Act establishing a grant program to provide to essential workers the tuition and fees to attend a state-supported postsecondary educational institution. | (H) EDC Then FIN 05/18/2021 | Requires ACPE to establish an essential worker grant program to cover the undergraduate tuition and fees of essential workers to attend a state-supported postsecondary institution. Total grant awards may not exceed \$10 million in a fiscal year and are subject to appropriation. ACPE must provide an annual report to the Legislature on the grant program. |
| SB 15 | OPEN MEETINGS ACT; PENALTY | COSTELLO | An Act relating to the Open Meetings Act; and establishing a civil penalty for violations of the open meeting requirements by members of governmental bodies. | (S) FIN 04/21/2021 | Establishes a civil penalty, not to exceed \$1,000, for a member of a governmental body who is an elected or appointed public official who knowingly attends a meeting of the governmental body on which they serve that violates existing statute outlining the requirements of a public governmental meeting under AS 44.62.310. State Board of Education meetings are subject to the Open Meetings Act and would be impacted by this bill. |
| SB 16 | EQUAL PAY/ LIVING WAGE ACT; SEX DISCRIM. | BEGICH | An Act relating to the authority and procedures of the State Commission for Human Rights; requiring an annual report | (S) L&C Then JUD, FIN 01/22/2021 | Increases minimum wage to \$15/hour. Impacts the Pupil Transportation program as AS 23.10.065(b) states that a school bus |

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| | | | concerning the payment of equal pay for comparable work; increasing the minimum wage; relating to and prohibiting wage discrimination based on the sex of an employee; and providing for an effective date. | | driver is to receive double the minimum wage. |
| SB 18 | CLASS SIZE REDUCTION GRANT PROGRAM | BEGICH | An Act directing school districts to set maximum class sizes; and establishing a grant program to support class size reduction in public elementary schools. | (S) EDC Then FIN 01/22/2021 | Directs school districts to adopt policies setting the maximum class size for each grade. Establishes a class size reduction grant program in DEED. |
| SB 19 | EXTEND SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICE AGENCY | STEVENS | An Act extending the special education service agency; and providing for an effective date. | CHAPTER 12 SLA 21 06/29/2021 | Extends the sunset date of the Special Education Service Agency to June 30, 2029. Companion bill to HB 43. |
| SB 20 | OUT OF STATE TEACHER RECIPROCITY | STEVENS | An Act relating to recognition of certificates of out-of-state teachers. | (H) EDC Then FIN 05/04/2021 | Requires DEED to issue teacher certificates to people who hold a valid teacher certificate issued by another state, who have had a background check, and who have paid the required fee. |
| SB 32 | COLLEGE CREDIT FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS | STEVENS | An Act establishing the Alaska middle college program for public school students; and relating to the powers of the University of Alaska. | (H) STA 05/05/2021 | Establishes the Alaska middle college program, allowing students to enroll in University of Alaska courses and earn dual credit. The bill requires the University to enter into agreements with school districts that have eligible students interested in participating in the program. Agreements must allow any eligible student to participate. Requires DEED submit an annual |

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| | | | | | report to the Legislature to include information on the Alaska middle college program. |
| SB 34 | STATE-TRIBAL EDUCATION COMPACT SCHOOLS | STEVENS | An Act providing for the establishment of public schools through state-tribal compacts. | (S) EDC Then JUD 01/25/2021 | Allows the commissioner of DEED to enter into compacts with federally recognized tribes in the state for the establishment of state tribal education compact schools. |
| SB 42 | VIRTUAL AND EARLY EDUCATION, READING | HUGHES | An Act relating to early education programs provided by school districts; relating to course credit for students; relating to annual reports regarding school district performance and school district employees; relating to school age eligibility; relating to funding for early education programs; establishing early education programs and a voluntary parent program; relating to the duties and powers of the Department of Education and Early Development; relating to school operating fund reserves; relating to certification of teachers; relating to the Professional Teaching Practices Commission; relating to a virtual education consortium; establishing a reading intervention program for public school students enrolled in grades kindergarten through | (S) EDC Then FIN 01/25/2021 | Bill short title is the 'Alaska Reading and Virtual Education Act.' Establishes an early education program, a comprehensive reading intervention program, a school improvement reading program, and a virtual education consortium. |

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| | | | three; establishing a reading program in the Department of Education and Early Development; establishing a teacher retention working group; and providing for an effective date. | | |
| SB 58 | FUNDING FOR CORRESPONDENCE PROGRAMS | GOVERNOR | An Act relating to funding for correspondence programs; and providing for an effective date. | (S) EDC Then FIN 01/29/2021 | Addresses funding for correspondence programs operated by school districts (both district and statewide programs) by 1) moving the correspondence student average daily membership (ADM) from the end of the Foundation Formula, when determining basic need, so correspondence students are eligible for the special education and career and technical education multipliers; and (2) changing the weight of a correspondence student ADM from 90 percent to the actual ADM, as submitted. Companion bill to HB 78. |
| SB 71 | COUNCIL ON ARTS: PLATES & MANAGE ART | STEVENS | An Act relating to special request registration plates celebrating the arts; relating to artwork in public buildings and facilities; relating to the management of artwork under the art in public places fund; relating to the powers and duties of the Alaska State Council on the Arts; and providing for an effective date. | (H) STA Then FIN 05/06/2021 | Allows the Division of Motor Vehicles to collect a registration fee not to exceed \$50 for a vehicle registration plate celebrating the arts. Establishes the attorney general as the legal counsel for ASCA, while allowing ASCA to retain temporary legal counsel for good cause with the approval of the attorney general. Exempts funds in the ASCA operating |

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| | | | | | budget that are received from private philanthropic and non-profit organizations from the Executive Budget Act. Provides ASCA the opportunity to hold a license plate design competition celebrating the arts every four years. Companion bill to HB 161. |
| SB 72 | SEC. SCHOOL CIVICS EDUCATION | STEVENS | An Act relating to civics education, civics examinations, and secondary school graduation requirements; and providing for an effective date. | (S) FIN 04/21/2021 | Adds the passage of a civics examination to the list of graduation requirements. Includes an annual reporting requirement by the State Board to the Legislature that describes the civics education curriculum in the state public education system and the passing rate of students taking the civics assessment. |
| SB 74 | G.O. BONDS: STATE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS | GOVERNOR | An Act providing for and relating to the issuance of general obligation bonds for the purpose of paying the cost of state infrastructure projects, including construction, communications, major maintenance, public safety, and transportation projects; and providing for an effective date. | (S) FIN 03/24/2021 | Relates to voter approval of general obligation bonds for the purpose of funding capital improvement projects. Includes \$9M for Houston Middle School Replacement, \$25M for Major Maintenance Grant Fund for School Major Maintenance, and \$7.8M for Mt. Edgumbe High School Repairs. Companion bill to HB 93. |
| SB 80 | PUBLIC SCHOOLS: MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION | GRAY-JACKSON | An Act relating to mental health education. | (S) FIN 04/21/2021 | Directs DEED to develop statewide standards for mental health and encourages school districts to include mental health in their health |

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| | | | | | education program. Companion bill to HB 60. |
| SB 94 | EDUCATION & SUPPLEMENTAL LOAN PROGRAMS | GOVERNOR | An Act relating to the education loan program and Alaska supplemental education loan program; and providing for an effective date. | (S) FIN 04/23/2021 | Provides ACPE with a number of authorities that will allow ACPE to better meet Alaskans' student loan needs, and thus is expected to increase the origination of loans funded by the ASLC. Companion bill to HB 114. |
| SB 97 | STATE LAND SALES AND LEASES; RIVERS | GOVERNOR | An Act relating to state land; relating to the authority of the Department of Education and Early Development to dispose of state land; relating to the authority of the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities to dispose of state land; relating to the authority of the Department of Natural Resources over certain state land; relating to the state land disposal income fund; relating to the leasing and sale of state land for commercial development; repealing establishment of recreation rivers and recreation river corridors; and providing for an effective date. | (S) FIN 04/21/2021 | Authorizes DEED to transfer real property to a broader group of entities. Currently, DEED is limited to transfer interests in land to federal agencies, state agencies, or to political subdivisions. Companion bill to HB 120. |
| SB 111 | EARLY EDUCATION; READING INTERVENTION | (S) EDC | An Act relating to the duties of the Department of Education and Early Development; relating to | (S) FIN 04/16/2021 | Bill short title is the 'Alaska Academic Improvement and Modernization Act.' Establishes an early education |

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| | | | public schools; relating to early education programs; relating to funding for early education programs; relating to school age eligibility; relating to reports by the Department of Education and Early Development; relating to reports by school districts; relating to certification and competency of teachers; relating to assessing reading deficiencies and providing reading intervention services to public school students enrolled in grades kindergarten through three; relating to textbooks and materials for reading intervention services; establishing a reading program in the Department of Education and Early Development; relating to school operating funds; relating to a virtual education consortium; and providing for an effective date. | | program, a comprehensive reading intervention program, a school improvement reading program, and a virtual education consortium. |
| SB 112 | STUDENT TRANSPORTATION PLANNING | SHOWER | An Act relating to transportation of students. | (S) EDC Then TRA 03/26/2021 | Directs DEED to amend student transportation regulations to include a bus logistics plan that increases efficiency of school transportation and proactive planning of school schedules to ensure maximum efficiency. |

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| SB 119 | OATH OF OFFICE | REINBOLD | An Act relating to oaths of office; and requiring public officers to read the state constitution, the Declaration of Independence, and the United States Constitution. | (S) JUD Then STA 05/14/2021 | Requires state and local school board members to read the Constitution of the State of Alaska, the Declaration of Independence, and the Constitution of the United States before taking office. |
| SB 140 | DESIGNATE SEX FOR SCHOOL-SPONSORED SPORTS | HUGHES | An Act relating to school athletics, recreation, athletic teams, and sports. | (S) EDC 05/12/2021 | Requires public schools to designate each school-sponsored athletic team or sport by biological sex and requires students to participate based on their biological sex. |
| SJR 10 | CONST. AM: IN-PERSON PUBLIC EDUCATION | COSTELLO | Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to in-person public education. | (S) EDC Then JUD 03/10/2021 | Adds language to the Constitution that states “public schools shall provide the opportunity for in-person education unless a disaster declaration is in effect.” |
| SJR 13 | IMPROVE BROADBAND INTERNET ACCESS | (S) C&RA | Supporting broadband deployment in the state; recognizing the benefits of broadband; urging facilitation of broadband deployment; urging engagement with stakeholders; urging the development of a temporary centralized, technology-neutral broadband and Internet access working group in the state; urging the United States Congress to include broadband in 2021 federal infrastructure legislation; urging broadband providers to use savings from federal | (H) RLS 05/14/2021 | Resolution supporting broadband deployment in the state and urging facilitation of broadband deployment, among other items. |

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| | | | infrastructure legislation to provide broadband service at a reduced rate to the state and its political subdivisions; and urging the Alaska delegation in Congress to advocate for flexible broadband funding parameters. | | |